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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Alaska District
Attn: Colonel Michael Brooks
P.O. Box 6898
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Dear Colonel Michael Brooks:

The EPA Region 10 office is in receipt of the Alaska District's July 27, 2018 Notice of Intent to issue the Clean Water Act Section 404 permit for the Donlin Mine project. The EPA Region 10 does not intend to elevate this action to EPA Headquarters for further coordination.

I look forward to working with you and your successor on the robust implementation of the EPA and Army's new MOA on Mitigation in Alaska and its framework of increased opportunities and flexibilities for good aquatic resource restoration work in the State.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. All the Best on your next assignment,

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Hladick".

Chris Hladick
Regional Administrator